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Sir:

This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) claims priority to and benefit of pending prior provisional application Serial Number 60/223,450, filed on August 4, 2000, of Robert S. Brown, William D. Blackstock, Kazufumi Yamada, E. Wayne Hunter, and Nobuki Katayama for METHOD OF REPRODUCING, RECOLORING AND/OR RECYCLING CARPET TILES. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT

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|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Basic Fee | ***** | ***** | *****0 | ***** | \$710.00 |
| Multiple Claims | | | | | \$270.00 |
| Total Claims | 32 | 20 | 12 | 18.00 | \$216.00 |
| Independent Claims | 9 | 3 | 6 | 80.00 | \$480.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | \$1,676.00 |

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